

Draft Order

Of the Bar Harbor Town Council

For the November 8, 2016 Town Meeting

It is hereby ordered that the following article be placed on the special town meeting warrant with voting thereon to be held by Australian ballot.

Draft Warrant Article a

LAND USE ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – Parking – Shall an Ordinance June 1, 2016 and entitled “An amendment to parking regulations in the Land Use Ordinance” be enacted?

Parking

An amendment to add the terms parking garage and parking deck with definitions, to add language to the definition of accessory use, to add certain parking uses and accessory uses to certain districts, delete certain accessory parking uses from certain districts and adds provisions for greater utilization of off-site, off-street parking.

The Town of Bar Harbor hereby ordains that Chapter 125 of the Town Code is amended as follows:

[Please Note: Old language is ~~stricken~~. New language is underlined.]

Chapter 125 , LAND USE ORDINANCE

ARTICLE XII Construction and Definitions

§ 125-109 Definitions.

The following terms shall have the following meanings:

PARKING DECK - A structure used for parking or storage of automobiles parked at grade and a second level of automobiles parked on a deck supported above grade. Parking decks may utilize site grade differential to access both levels of parking without need for internal ramps. Parking decks may be public or private. A parking deck used solely in conjunction with a multifamily dwelling or hotel shall not be construed to be a parking deck but rather a permitted accessory structure and use, even though not on the same premises as the multifamily dwelling or hotel.

~~GARAGE, COMMERCIAL~~ PARKING GARAGE - A multi-story structure used for parking or storage of automobiles, generally available to the public, and involving payment of a charge either public or private, either self-service or valet, for such parking or storage. A garage used solely in conjunction with a multifamily dwelling or hotel shall not be construed to be a commercial parking garage but rather a permitted accessory structure and use, even though not on the same premises as the multifamily dwelling or hotel.

USE, ACCESSORY

A. A use which is:

- (1) Subordinate to and serves a principal use;
- (2) Subordinate in area, extent and purpose to the principal use served;
- (3) Located on the same lot as the principal use served, except as otherwise expressly

authorized by this chapter; and

- (4) Customarily incidental to the principal use.

B. An accessory use shall not include any use injurious or offensive to the neighborhood as initially determined by the Code Enforcement Officer.

C. Off-street parking shall always be considered a permitted accessory use when required or provided to serve a legally constituted use in any district.

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ARTICLE III Land Use Activities and Standards

§ 125-17 Bar Harbor Gateway.

D. Uses allowed by site plan.

(1) The following uses shall be permitted by site plan review in any part of this district: bank; bed-and-breakfast I; bed-and-breakfast II; bed-and-breakfast III; bed-and-breakfast IV; bed-and-breakfast V; child-care center; commercial boat yard; commercial fish pier; ferry terminal; farmers' market; hotel; marina; multifamily dwelling I; multifamily dwelling II; motel; nursing or convalescent homes or congregate housing; parking deck; parking lot; private compulsory school; professional office building;

restaurant; retail; road construction; services; take-out restaurant; wind turbines, and wireless communication facilities...

F. Other requirements.

(1) Parking lots shall require buffering and vegetative screening if visible from Route 3. (Also see parking requirements found in 125-67B(4) Off-street parking.).

§ 125-18 Village Historic.

F. Other requirements.

[Amended 11-2-2010]

(1) All new construction and/or changes to facades and signs shall require Design Review Board approval if visible from a public way. Single-family homes are exempt from this provision unless otherwise included in Appendix A or B of this chapter.

(2) The Planning Board shall ensure that parking for bed-and-breakfast I shall be shielded from the view of neighboring properties located to the side and rear of the property where the bed-and-breakfast is located. Shielding shall consist of vegetative screening. (Also see parking requirements found in 125-67B(4))...

§ 125-19 Mount Desert Street Corridor District.

C. Allowed uses.

(1) Principal uses allowed with a building permit or a change of use permit from the Code Enforcement Officer: art gallery, home occupation, museum, place of worship; public or private park, single- or two-family dwelling; vacation rentals.

(2) Accessory uses that are usual and normal to a principal use are allowed if they are typically permitted by the Code Enforcement Officer or site plan review for the district in which the use is proposed.

Accessory uses are allowed by review of the same permitting authority that approved the principal structure.

D. Uses allowed by site plan.

(1) Principal uses allowed by minor site plan approval: wind turbines, offices, all types of schools, bed-and-breakfast I and II.

(2) Principal uses allowed by major site plan: convalescent home; multifamily I and II; parking lot; theaters...

F. Other requirements.

(1) Design Review Board approval shall be required for all changes to existing or new facades if the subject property is listed in Appendix A or B of this chapter. (Also see parking requirements found in 125-67B(4))...

§ 125-20 Village Residential.

D. Uses allowed by site plan.

(1) The following uses shall be permitted by site plan review in any part of this district: multifamily I; nursing/convalescent home in a building constructed before June 8, 2010, road construction...

G. Other requirements:

(1) Accessory structures shall be located in the side and rear yard of the property.

(2) The Planning Board shall ensure that parking lots are shielded from the view of neighboring properties by requiring parking lots to provide buffering and vegetative screening. (Also see parking requirements found in 125-67B(4))...

§ 125-21 Downtown Village I.

C. Allowed uses:

(1) Uses allowed by a building permit or a change of use permit with the Code Enforcement Officer: all retail; public information, municipal and government uses; restaurants and bars; theaters; galleries; services, professional offices; vacation rentals; all bed-and-breakfasts; food-processing establishment; theaters; single- and two-family dwelling units; laundry and dry cleaning; artist studio, eleemosynary institution, place of worship.

[Amended 11-5-2013]

(2) Uses allowed by site plan review: hotel; motel; conference centers; multifamily dwelling I and II; all types of child-care facilities, all types of schools; medical and dental clinics; banks; automobile service stations; hospitals; parking deck; parking lot; road construction.

(3) Accessory uses that are usual and normal to a principal use are allowed if they are typically permitted by the Code Enforcement Officer or site plan review for the district in which the use is proposed. Accessory uses are allowed by review of the same permitting authority that approved the principal structure...

E. Other requirements.

(1) All changes to facades and signs require Design Review Board approval.

(2) Parking requirements. (Also see parking requirements found in 125-67B(4)).

§ 125-21.1 Downtown Village II.

C. Allowed uses.

(1) Uses allowed by a building permit or a change of use permit with the Code Enforcement Officer: all retail, public information; municipal and government uses; restaurants and bars on lots with frontage on Cottage Street, Main Street, Mount Desert Street or West Street; theaters; galleries; artist studios; banks; services, vacation rentals; theaters; all bed-and-breakfasts; food-processing establishment; professional office buildings; laundry and dry cleaning; artist studio

(2) Uses allowed by site plan review: hotel, motel; multifamily dwelling I and II; parking deck; parking lot; all types of child-care facilities; all types of schools; hospitals, medical and dental clinics; automobile service stations; redemption centers.

(3) Accessory uses that are usual and normal to a principal use are allowed if they are typically permitted by the Code Enforcement Officer or site plan review for the district in which the use is proposed. Accessory uses are allowed by review of the same permitting authority that approved the principal structure...

E. Other requirements.

(1) All changes to facades and signs require Design Review Board approval.

(2) Parking requirements. (Also see parking requirements found in 125-67B(4))...

§ 125-21.2 Downtown Village Transitional.

C. Allowed uses.

(1) Uses allowed by a building permit or a change of use permit with the Code Enforcement Officer: all retail; public information; municipal uses; galleries; services; professional office buildings; vacation rentals; bed-and-breakfast I, II and III; single- and two-family residential; family child-care; food-processing establishments; laundry and dry cleaning; artist studio.

(2) Uses allowed by site plan review: multifamily dwelling I and II; parking lot; all other types of child-care facilities; medical clinics.

(3) Accessory uses that are usual and normal to a principal use are allowed if they are typically permitted by the Code Enforcement Officer or site plan review for the district in which the use is proposed. Accessory uses are allowed by review of the same permitting authority that approved the principal structure...

E. Other requirements.

(1) All changes to facades and signs require Design Review Board approval.

(2) Parking requirements: (Also see parking requirements found in 125-67B(4)).

§ 125-49.1 Shoreland General Development III.

D. Uses allowed by site plan.

(1) The following uses shall be permitted by site plan review in any part of this district: bank; bed-and-breakfast I; bed-and-breakfast II; bed-and-breakfast III; bed-and-breakfast IV; bed-and-breakfast V; child-care center; commercial boat yard; commercial fish pier; ferry terminal; farmers' market; hotel; marina; multifamily dwelling I; multifamily dwelling II; motel; nursing or convalescent homes or congregate housing; parking lot and parking deck, private compulsory school; professional office building; restaurant; retail; road construction; services; take-out restaurant; wind turbines, and wireless communication facilities.

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APPENDIX C, Table of Permitted Uses

	Downtown Residential	Educational Institution	Emery	Hulls Cove Business	Hulls Cove Residential Corridor	Hulls Cove Rural	Indian Point Residential	Indian Point Rural	Industrial	Ireson Hill Corridor	Ireson Hill Residential	McFarland Hill Residential	McFarland Hill Rural	Marine Research	Otter Creek
Parking garage and parking lot	b														
Parking garage															
Parking deck		b													
Parking lot	b	b		b						b					
Parking lot with 10 or fewer spaces- accessory to permitted uses	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e
Parking lot with 10 or more spaces- accessory to permitted uses		b		e, b2					e, b2					e, b2	
Uses or structures accessory to permitted <u>legally constituted</u> uses or structures	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1	b	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1
Uses or small structures accessory to permitted <u>legally constituted</u> uses or structures	c	c, b2	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c
	Resource Protection	Salisbury Cove Corridor	Salisbury Cove Residential	Salisbury Cove Rural	Salisbury Cove Village	Schooner Head	Scientific Research	Shoreland General Development I	Shoreland General Development II	Shoreland Limited Residential	Stream Protection	Town Hill Business	Town Hill Residential Corridor	Town Hill Residential	Town Hill Rural
Parking garage and parking lot												b			
Parking garage															
Parking deck							b								
Parking lot		b					b					b			
Parking lot with 10 or fewer spaces- accessory to permitted uses	b-12	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e	e		e	e	e	e
Parking lot with 10 or more spaces- accessory to permitted uses		e, b2	b									e, b2			
Uses or structures accessory to permitted <u>legally constituted</u> uses or structures		c, b1	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1	c	c, b1,2	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1	b5	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1	c, b1
Uses or small structures accessory to permitted <u>legally constituted</u> uses or structures	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c	c

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ARTICLE V, Site Plan Review

§ 125-67 General review standards.

D. Parking requirements. Any ~~site plan for an~~ activity that can be expected to generate vehicular traffic shall provide for off-street parking in accordance with the following requirements. Parking requirements may be reduced, as determined by the Planning Board, when at least 5% of the required parking spaces are designated for low-emitting and fuel-efficient vehicles, carpools or vanpools or any combination thereof, and are marked as such. Parking requirements may also be reduced, as determined by the Planning Board, for properties that are located on a regularly scheduled bus route.

[Amended 11-5-1991; 5-2-1994; 11-4-1997; 3-24-1998; 5-5-2003; 11-4-2003; 5-3-2004; 5-2-2005; 6-13-2006; 6-8-2010; 11-2-2010]

(1) Off-street parking shall always be considered a permitted accessory use when required or provided to serve a legally constituted use ~~conforming use~~ in any district.

(2) Required off-street parking shall be located on the same lot as the principal building or use that it serves, except that ~~in the Downtown Village and Shoreland General Development Districts~~, with site plan approval and subject to such conditions as the Planning Board may impose, off-street parking spaces may be located on land or premises of the same ownership as the lot containing the principal building or use if said land or premises is dedicated for ~~free public parking and is located anywhere within the aforesaid districts~~.

(a) If parking spaces are on an off-site parking lot, such parking lot may not be farther than 500 feet from each entity requesting utilize those spaces. This distance shall be measured following a reasonable, safe walking route between the primary use and the parking lot being utilized.

EXPLANATION: The term commercial garage is defined but not found in any district, this warrant replaces that term with parking garage. The term parking deck is coined and defined to provide a structural alternative somewhere between parking lot and parking garage. This proposal adds language to the definition of accessory use stating that parking shall always be considered a permitted accessory use. This warrant adds parking uses approved by Site Plan review in the following districts: Bar Harbor Gateway, Mount Desert Street Corridor, Downtown Village I, II and Transitional, Shoreland General Development III, Downtown Residential, Education Institution, Hulls Cove Business, Ireson Hill Corridor, Scientific Research, Town Hill Business. This warrant removes redundant accessory parking language from Appendix C. This warrant makes provisions for off-site, off-street parking through Site Plan approval.